COUNTY PROFILE

Nobles Co.

Nobles Co. is a part of Economic Development Region 8, which is located in the Southwest Planning Region.

POPULATION CHARACTERISTICS

Nobles Co.'s population increased this decade, ranking as the 26th fastest growing of the 87 counties in the state from 2010 to 2020. It is now the 44th largest in the state. Nobles Co.'s population has a younger median age than the state and a larger percentage of people aged 65 years and older. The population is aging, especially as the Baby Boom generation moves through the population pyramid (see Figure 1).



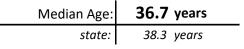
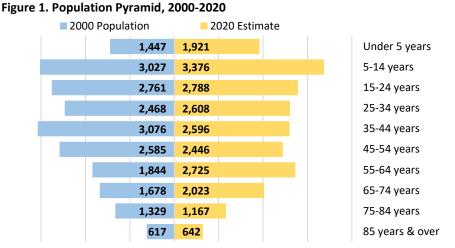


Table 1. Population by Age Group, 2020 Number **Percent** Under 5 years 1,921 8.6% 3,376 15.1% 5-14 years 2,788 12.5% 15-24 years 25-34 years 2.608 11.7% 2,596 35-44 years 11.6% 45-54 years 2,446 11.0% 12.2% 55-64 years 2,725 65-74 years 2,023 9.1% 75-84 years 1,167 5.2% 85 years & over 642 2.9% 22,290 **Total Population** 100.0% Source: U.S. Census Bureau, Population Estimates



Nobles Co. enjoyed a natural increase - more births than deaths from 2010 to 2019, but also experienced net out-migration - meaning more people moved out than moved in. Despite suffering domestic out-migration, Nobles Co. welcomed net international in-migration - gaining new Minnesotans from foreign countries (see Table 2).

Table 2. Components of Population Change, 2010-2019								
	Total	April 1, 2010 to July 1, 2019						
	Population	Natural	Vital E	Vital Events Net Migration			on	
	Change	Increase	Births	Deaths	Total	International	Domestic	
Nobles Co.	251	1,745	3,415	1,670	-1,524	1,377	-2,901	
State of Minnesota	335,705	250,488	637,356	386,868	88,161	114,414	-26,253	

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, Population Estimates Program

Compared to the state, Nobles Co. has a larger percentage of foreign-born residents. From 2010 to 2019, Nobles Co. saw an increase in the number of foreign-born residents, which was faster than the statewide increase.

Table 3. Place of Birth for the Foreign Born	Nobles Co.		Change 2	010-2019	Minnesota		
Population, 2019	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Percent	Change	
Foreign-born Population	4,297	19.8%	1,138	36.0%	8.5%	28.9%	
Europe	18	0.4%	-11	-37.9%	9.9%	4.5%	
Asia	1,007	23.4%	355	54.4%	37.5%	30.3%	
Africa	440	10.2%	256	139.1%	25.5%	72.0%	
Oceania	0	0.0%	-12	-100.0%	0.5%	37.2%	
Americas:	2,832	65.9%	550	24.1%	26.6%	10.0%	
Latin America	2,830	65.9%	565	24.9%	24.1%	12.2%	
Northern America	2	0.0%	-15	-88.2%	2.5%	-7.7%	

Figure 2. Place of Birth for the Foreign Born Population, 2019 0%

Europe
Asia
Africa
Oceania
Latin America

Northern America

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2015-2019 American Community Survey

Nobles Co.'s population was becoming more racially diverse over time. Since 2000, the county's white population declined, but the number of people of other races increased (see Table 4).

Figure 3. Population by Race, 2019



- Black or African American
- American Indian
- Asian
- Some Other Race
- Two or More Races

		Nobles Co	Minnesota		
Table 4. Race and Hispanic Origin, 2019	Number	Percent	Change from 2000-2019	Percent	Change from 2000-2019
Total	21,734	100.0%	4.3%	100.0%	13.1%
White	16,901	77.8%	-6.2%	82.8%	4.7%
Black or African American	928	4.3%	316.1%	6.4%	107.6%
American Indian or Alaska Native	145	0.7%	126.6%	1.0%	5.5%
Asian or Other Pac. Islanders	1,510	6.9%	78.7%	4.9%	87.8%
Some Other Race	1,684	7.7%	21.7%	1.9%	58.1%
Two or More Races	566	2.6%	90.6%	3.0%	99.9%
Hispanic or Latino origin	6,047	27.8%	160.1%	5.4%	108.9%

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2015-2019 American Community Survey

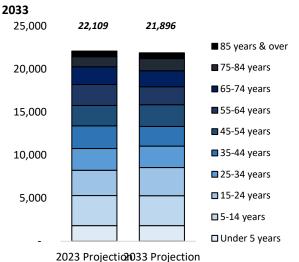
POPULATION PROJECTIONS

According to the Minnesota State Demographic Center, Nobles Co.'s population is expected to decline from 2023 to 2033, with a rate of change that is slower than the projected statewide growth rate (5.6%). Despite the decline, the number of people aged 65 years and older is expected to increase over the next decade (see Figure 4 and Table 5).

77.8%

Table 5. Population Projections by Age Group, 2023-2033								
	2023	2023 2033		Percent				
Nobles Co.	Projection	Projection	Change	Change				
Under 5 years	1,815	1,807	-8	-0.4%				
5-14 years	3,505	3,490	-15	-0.4%				
15-24 years	2,932	3,272	340	11.6%				
25-34 years	2,519	2,483	-36	-1.4%				
35-44 years	2,640	2,291	-349	-13.2%				
45-54 years	2,375	2,535	160	6.7%				
55-64 years	2,434	2,083	-351	-14.4%				
65-74 years	2,062	1,860	-202	-9.8%				
75-84 years	1,163	1,409	246	21.2%				
85 years & over	664	666	2	0.3%				
Total Population	22,109	21,896	-213	-1.0%				

Figure 4. Projections by Age Group, 2023-



Source: Minnesota State Demographic Center

EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT

Nobles Co. has a lower percentage of adults (18 years & over) with at least a high school diploma than the state (92.4%), and a lower percentage of people with at least some college experience. Nobles Co. also has a lower percentage of people with an Associate's degree and a lower percentage of people with a Bachelor's degree or higher.

Percentage of the adult population (18 years & over) with at least a high school diploma:

76.2%

- 11% 24% 24% 20% 31%

Figure 5. Educational Attainment, 2019

☐ Less than high school

☐ High school graduate (incl. equiv.)

■ Some college, no degree

■ Associate's degree

■ Bachelor's degree

■ Advanced degree

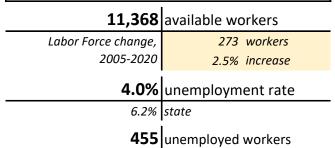
College-educated: 45.0% state: 67.1%

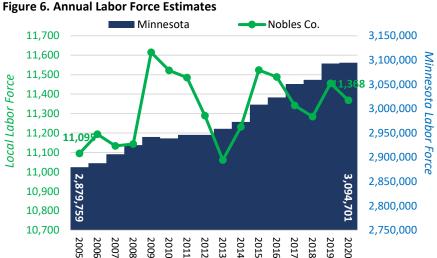
Associate's Degree: 10.5%
Bachelor's Degree: 11.0%
Advanced Degree: 3.7%

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2015-2019 American Community Survey

LABOR FORCE TRENDS

At 4%, Nobles Co. had a lower unemployment rate than the state in 2020. Due to the pandemic recession Nobles Co.'s unemployment rate increased compared to 3% in 2019, but was lower than the 5.6% rate posted in 2010. The number of unemployed workers actively seeking work in Nobles Co. increased over the past year, and is down compared to 2010.





Source: DEED Local Area Unemployment Statistics

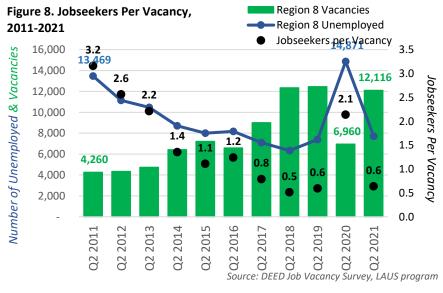
Labor force growth has slowed in recent years. After experiencing a net gain of 114.4 workers each year from 1990 to 2000, Nobles Co. averaged an annual gain of 40.5 new workers from 2000 to 2010, and most recently a loss of -15.4 fewer workers since 2010 (see Figure 7). Moving forward, Nobles Co. is expected to see a labor force decline from 2023 to 2033 (see Table 6).

Figure 7. Annual Change in Labor Force, 1990-2020 2,000 Average of 114 Average of 41 Average of -15 new workers per year new workers per year fewer workers per year Year-Over-Year Change in Available Workers 1,500 1,000 500 -500 -1,000 2012-2013d 2011-2013d 2010-2010-2012d 2009-2010-2012d 2008-2008-2008 2013-201 1990-1991 2000-2001 2018-201 1991-1992 1992-1993 1993-199 2002-2003 2003-2004 2004-2005 2005-2006 2006-2007 2007-2008 2014-201 2015-201 2016-201 2019-2020 1994-1995 1995-1996 1996-1997 1997-1998 1998-1999 1999-2000 Unemployment Statistics

Table 6. Labor Force	Labor Force Projection				
Projections, 2023-2033	2023 2033				
16 to 24 years	1,944	2,188			
25 to 54 years	6,321	6,133			
55 to 64 years	1,835	1,570			
65 years & over	858	807			
Total Labor Force	10,959	10,698			

Source: Minnesota State Demographic Center

The labor market had grown extremely tight in recent years, with less than 1 jobseeker per vacancy until the pandemic recession intervened in early 2020 and the number of unemployed workers spiked. However, by the second quarter of 2021, job vacancies in Southwest reached new highs, quickly bringing back challenges in finding new workers (see Figure 8).



LABOR FORCE CHARACTERISTICS

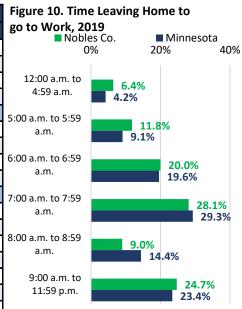
Nobles Co. had a lower labor force participation rate than the state. The labor force in Nobles Co. is more racially diverse than the state (where 84.8% of workers are white alone), but is becoming more diverse over time.

Table 7. Employment Characteristics, 2	2019							
	N	lobles Co.		Minnesota		Noble	s Co.	
	In Labor Force (available workers)	Labor Force Partic. Rate	Unemp. Rate	Labor Force Partic. Rate	Unemp. Rate	Male	Female	
Total Labor Force	11,120	68.0%	3.3%	69.7%	3.6%	6,422	4,695	
16 to 19 years	539	52.3%	15.8%	53.2%	11.0%	269	270	
20 to 24 years	1,247	93.3%	4.9%	84.6%	6.0%	615	633	
25 to 44 years	4,470	83.9%	3.5%	88.8%	3.2%	2,721	1,750	
45 to 54 years	2,018	83.9%	1.2%	87.6%	2.7%	1,163	855	
55 to 64 years	2,085	75.4%	1.4%	73.0%	2.8%	1,178	907	
65 to 74 years	624	34.8%	1.6%	27.9%	2.2%	379	246	
75 years & over	130	7.7%	1.5%	6.6%	2.4%	97	34	
Employment Characteristics by Race &	Hispanic Origin					Figure 9. La	abor Force by	V
White alone	8,713	66.1%	2.5%	69.3%	3.0%	Race, 2019		-
Black or African American	569	91.0%	6.5%	71.3%	8.8%			
American Indian & Alaska Native	41	71.9%	0.0%	58.9%	12.6%			
Asian or Other Pac. Islanders	661	63.8%	7.3%	71.2%	4.3%			
Some Other Race	977	77.2%	6.6%	77.7%	6.1%			
Two or More Races	155	82.0%	0.0%	73.6%	7.4%			
Hispanic or Latino	2,951	77.4%	4.7%	76.5%	6.1%			
Employment Characteristics by Disabil	ity							78.
With Any Disability	616	48.3%	14.8%	53.0%	8.6%			
Employment Characteristics by Educat	ional Attainment							
Population, 25 to 64 years	8,577	81.7%	2.5%	84.5%	3.0%	White al		
Less than H.S. Diploma	1,974	73.8%	2.7%	66.3%	4.2%		African America	
H.S. Diploma or Equivalent	2,369	79.5%	0.5%	78.5%	2.6%		n Indian & Alask	
Some College or Assoc. Degree	2,896	87.9%	1.8%	85.3%	3.0%		Other Pac. Islan	ıders
Bachelor's Degree or Higher	1,334	86.2%	0.6%	90.0%	1.7%	Some Ot	her Race	

Source: 2015-2019 American Community Survey, 5-Year Estimates

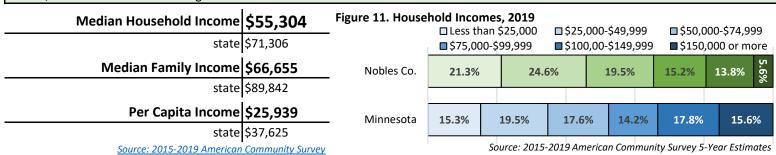
A larger percentage of workers in Nobles Co. worked in the same county in which they live compared to the state. Nobles Co. also had a shorter average commute time than the state.

	Nobles Co.		Minnesota	
Table 8. Commuting Characteristics, 2019	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Worked in state of residence	9,816	93.3%	2,837,697	97.6%
Worked in county of residence	8,701	82.7%	1,846,247	63.5%
Worked out of county of residence	1,105	10.5%	991,449	34.1%
Worked outside state of residence	705	6.7%	69,779	2.4%
MEANS OF TRANSPORTATION TO WORK				
Car, truck, or van	9,543	90.7%	2,506,244	86.2%
Public transportation (excl. taxicab)	42	0.4%	101,762	3.5%
Other method (walk, bike, taxi, etc.)	484	4.6%	125,021	4.3%
Worked at home	463	4.4%	171,541	5.9%
TRAVEL TIME TO WORK				
Less than 10 minutes	3,966	37.7%	456,474	15.7%
10 to 19 minutes	3,325	31.6%	872,243	30.0%
20 to 29 minutes	1,410	13.4%	645,460	22.29
30 to 44 minutes	936	8.9%	575,680	19.8%
45 to 59 minutes	505	4.8%	194,801	6.7%
60 or more minutes	368	3.5%	162,819	5.6%
Mean travel time to work (minutes)	16.6	minutes	23.7	minutes



INCOMES, COST OF LIVING, & HOUSING

Nobles Co. had a lower median household income than the state, and a higher percentage of households with incomes below \$50,000. Overall, Nobles Co. had the 59th highest median household income of the 87 counties in the state.



Nobles Co. also had a lower cost of living than the state, with a required hourly wage of \$13.23 for a single person living alone to meet a basic needs cost of living, and an hourly wage requirement of \$14.56 for a typical family with 2 adults and 1 child (see Table 9).

Table 9. Basic Needs Cost of Living Estimates, 2020									
	Single Yearly	Hourly Wage	Monthly Costs						
Single Adult, 0 children	Cost of Living		Child Care	Food	Health Care	Housing	Trans- portation	Other	Taxes
Nobles Co.	\$27,522	\$13.23	\$0	\$351	\$163	\$583	\$642	\$256	\$299
State of Minnesota	\$32,964	\$15.85	\$0	\$355	\$153	\$832	\$704	\$325	\$378
Typical Family: 2 Adults (1	Family Yearly	Hourly Wage			N	onthly Co	sts		
working full-time, 1 part-	Cost of Living	, ,	Child Care	Food	Health	Housing	Trans-	Other	Taxes
time), 1 child	Cost of Living	Required	Cilia Care	FOOU	Care	Housing	portation	Other	Taxes
Nobles Co.	\$45,421	\$14.56	\$230	\$801	\$519	\$768	\$741	\$430	\$296
State of Minnesota	\$58,800	\$18.85	\$546	\$810	\$549	\$1,069	\$819	\$515	\$592

Source: DEED Cost of Living tool

Nobles Co. had a lower median house value than the state, having the 62nd highest value of the 87 counties in 2019. Nobles Co.'s housing stock was older than the state's, with a lower percentage of units built since 2000 (see Figure 12).

Table 10. Estimated Value of Owner-	Nobles	Co.	Minnesota
occupied Housing Units, 2019	Total	Percent	Percent
Total	5,677	100.0%	100.0%
Less than \$50,000	695	12.2%	4.6%
\$50,000 to \$99,999	1,423	25.1%	7.8%
\$100,000 to \$149,999	1,196	21.1%	12.3%
\$150,000 to \$199,999	990	17.4%	17.9%
\$200,000 to \$299,999	807	14.2%	28.1%
\$300,000 to \$499,999	471	8.3%	21.5%
\$500,000 or more	95	1.7%	7.9%
Median (dollars)	\$127,1	.00	\$223,900

Source: 2015-2019 American Community Survey, 5-Year Estimates

Figure 12. Year Structure Built, 2019 40% 0% 20% 30% Nobles Co. ■ Minnesota 2010 or later 4.8% 2000 to 2009 14.1% 1980 to 1999 26.3% 29.8% 1960 to 1979 24.4% 23.4% 1940 to 1959 24.1% 1939 or earlier

Figure 13. Housing Costs as a

Percentage of Income, 2019

19.3%

Median monthly owner costs, owner-occupied units \$1,163 with a mortgage state \$1,580

Percentage of households with a mortgage spending 30% or more of their income on housing costs

Median monthly rent costs

Percentage of renters spending 30% or more of their household income on rent

state 4<u>5.1</u>%

27.5% 38.4% 47.9% 5.8% 7.1% 17.3% 19.8% Less than 20% 20% to 24.9% 25.0% to 29.9% 30.0% to 34.9% ■ 35% or more

mortgage

Source: 2015-2019 American Community Survey, 5-Year Estimates

OCCUPATIONS

At \$18.79 in 2021, wages were lower in Region 8 than the state. Overall, Region 8 had the 3rd lowest median hourly wage level of the 13 economic development regions in the state. Wages were highest for management occupations (\$42.05) and lowest for food preparation and serving related jobs (\$12.44) (see Table 11).

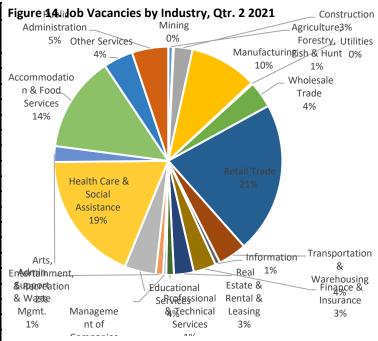
Table 11. Occupational Employment & Wage Statistics, 2021									
	Region 8				State of Minnesota				
Occupational Group	Median Hourly Wage	Estimated Regional Jobs	Share of Total Jobs	Regional Location Quotient	Median Hourly Wage	State-wide Jobs	Share of Total Jobs		
Total, All Occupations	\$18.79	51,340	100.0%	1.0	\$23.00	2,708,760	100.0%		
Management	\$42.05	2,210	4.3%	0.7	\$54.22	164,530	6.1%		
Business & Financial Operations	\$30.71	1,870	3.6%	0.5	\$35.24	179,670	6.6%		
Computer & Mathematical	\$39.44	530	1.0%	0.3	\$44.89	98,240	3.6%		
Architecture & Engineering	\$33.48	720	1.4%	0.7	\$38.90	54,880	2.0%		
Life, Physical & Social Science	\$26.98	920	1.8%	1.9	\$35.48	26,120	1.0%		
Community & Social Service	\$21.84	930	1.8%	0.9	\$24.21	55,630	2.1%		
Legal	\$30.38	150	0.3%	0.4	\$41.02	19,760	0.7%		
Education, Training & Library	\$21.22	2,890	5.6%	1.0	\$24.64	159,060	5.9%		
Arts, Design, Entertainment & Media	\$17.48	380	0.7%	0.6	\$25.72	36,260	1.3%		
Healthcare Practitioners & Technical	\$29.55	2,830	5.5%	0.8	\$36.90	188,210	6.9%		
Healthcare Support	\$14.59	4,130	8.0%	1.4	\$15.52	157,140	5.8%		
Protective Service	\$20.98	670	1.3%	0.8	\$24.18	42,520	1.6%		
Food Preparation & Serving Related	\$12.44	2,770	5.4%	0.7	\$13.34	195,120	7.2%		
Building, Grounds Cleaning & Maint.	\$15.81	1,450	2.8%	1.0	\$16.14	74,550	2.8%		
Personal Care & Service	\$14.44	890	1.7%	0.9	\$14.57	51,660	1.9%		
Sales & Related	\$15.27	4,950	9.6%	1.0	\$16.83	250,430	9.2%		
Office & Administrative Support	\$18.65	5,850	11.4%	0.9	\$20.93	338,050	12.5%		
Farming, Fishing & Forestry	\$18.32	570	1.1%	7.1	\$18.14	4,230	0.2%		
Construction & Extraction	\$21.64	2,450	4.8%	1.3	\$29.84	102,390	3.8%		
Installation, Maintenance & Repair	\$21.11	2,710	5.3%	1.4	\$25.45	98,840	3.6%		
Production	\$18.16	6,710	13.1%	1.8	\$19.82	202,240	7.5%		
Transportation & Material Moving	\$17.14	4,750	9.3%	1.2	\$18.83	209,210	7.7%		

Source: DEED Occupational Employment & Wage Statistics, Qtr. 1 2021

JOB VACANCY SURVEY

Nobles Co. is a part of the Southwest planning region. There were 12116 job vacancies posted by employers in the 2nd Quarter of 2021, indicating extensive opportunity in the region, with openings across several occupations and industries (see Figure 14).

Table 12. Southwest Job Vacancy Survey Results, Qtr. 2 2021							
	Number of						
Occupational Group	Vacancies	Wage Offer					
Total, All Occupations	12,116	\$15.03					
Management	238						
Business & Financial Operations	406	•					
Computer & Mathematical	48	7-0:-0					
Architecture & Engineering	86						
Life, Physical & Social Sciences	14	7					
Community & Social Service	111						
Education, Training & Library	257						
Healthcare Practitioners & Technical	1,050						
Healthcare Support	1,618						
Protective Service	141						
Food Preparation & Serving Related	2,080						
Building, Grounds Cleaning & Maint.	328	\$14.86					
Personal Care & Service	246						
Sales & Related	1,549	\$13.27					
Office & Administrative Support	637	7					
Construction & Extraction	142	\$21.47					
Installation, Maintenance & Repair	531	7					
Production	843	,					
Transportation & Material Moving	1,316	\$17.09					



Source: DEED Job Vacancy Survey, Qtr. 2 2021

OCCUPATIONS IN DEMAND

Table 13. Southwest Occupations in Demand, 2020							
Less than High School	High School or Equivalent	Some College or Assoc. Deg.	Bachelor's Degree or Higher				
Home Health and Personal	Nursing Assistants	Registered Nurses	Elementary School Teachers,				
Care Aides	Nuising Assistants	Registered Nurses	Except Special Education				
\$28,035	\$30,933	\$68,952	\$52,103				
Retail Salespersons	Licensed Practical and Licensed Vocational	Police and Sheriff?s Patrol	Physicians, All Other; and				
Netali Salespersoris	Nurses	Officers	Ophthalmologists, Except Pediatric				
\$27,105	\$46,278	\$58,679	NA				
First-Line Supervisors of	Automotive Service Technicians and	Electrical and Electronic	Financial Managers				
Retail Sales Workers	Mechanics	Engineering Technologists and	i illaliciai ivialiagei s				
\$41,484	\$35,447	\$60,317	\$99,935				
Heavy and Tractor-Trailer	Medical Dosimetrists, Medical Records	Civil Engineering Technologists	Civil Engineers				
Truck Drivers	Specialists, and Health Technologists and	and Technicians	Civil Eligineers				
\$45,441	\$41,022	\$62,577	\$86,311				
Janitors and Cleaners,	Heating, Air Conditioning, and	Diagnostic Medical	General and Operations Managers				
Except Maids and	Refrigeration Mechanics and Installers	Sonographers	General and Operations Managers				
\$28,667	\$47,376	\$78,847	\$74,397				
Teaching Assistants, Except	Medical Assistants	Clinical Laboratory Technologists	Physician Assistants				
Postsecondary	Wedical Assistants	and Technicians	riiysiciaii Assistaiits				
\$28,887	\$39,512	\$56,251	\$117,551				
Laborers and Freight, Stock,	Industrial Machinery Mechanics	Radiologic Technologists and	Secondary School Teachers, Except				
and Material Movers, Hand	industrial Machinery Mechanics	Technicians	Special and Career/Technical				
\$33,694	\$49,897	\$62,640	\$55,202				
Secretaries and	Emergency Medical Technicians and	Industrial Engineering	Middle School Teachers, Except				
Administrative Assistants,	Paramedics	Technologists and Technicians	Special and Career/Technical				
\$39,529	\$34,822	\$50,238	\$54,152				
Stockers and Order Fillers	Electricians	Mechanical Engineering	Electrical Engineers				
Stockers and Order Fillers	Liectricians	Technologists and Technicians	Liectrical Engineers				
\$28,316	\$58,008	\$45,140	\$87,297				
Office Clerks, General	Computer Numerically Controlled Tool	Physical Therapist Assistants	Construction Managers				
Office Cierks, General	Programmers						
\$35,222	\$62,213	\$51,326	\$87,171				

Source: DEED Occupations in Demand

Nobles Co. is a part of the Southwest planning region, which is projected to see a 0.9% increase in employment levels over the next decade. In addition to new jobs created, there will be a much larger number of exit openings (see Figure 15).

Table 14. Regional Industry Employment Projections, 2018-2028				
	Estimated Employment	Projected Employ-	Percent Change	
Southwest Planning Region	2018	ment 2028		
Total, All Industries	206,422	209,790	1.6%	
Natural Resources & Mining	5,776	6,171	6.8%	
Utilities	744	697	-6.3%	
Construction	7,858	8,687	10.5%	
Manufacturing	31,188	31,071	-0.4%	
Wholesale Trade	8,530	7,993	-6.3%	
Retail Trade	19,926	19,533	-2.0%	
Transportation & Warehousing	7,465	7,898	5.8%	
Information	2,549	2,364	-7.3%	
Finance & Insurance, Real Estate	7,693	7,584	-1.4%	
Professional Services & Mgmt. of Compani	5,663	6,191	9.3%	
Administrative & Waste Services	4,076	4,874	19.6%	
Educational Services	17,510	17,483	-0.2%	
Health Care & Social Assistance	30,568	32,922	7.7%	
Leisure & Hospitality	14,593	14,825	1.6%	
Other Services, Ex. Public Admin	7,423	7,058	-4.9%	
Public Administration	12,956	12,681	-2.1%	

Figure 15. Regional Occupational **Employment Projections, 2018-2028**

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Management	-86	8,858	
Business & Financial	311	1 ,746	
Computer & Mathematical	86	373	
Architecture & Engineering	76	667	
Life, Physical, & Social	78	1 282	
Community & Social Service	120	1 ,981	
Legal	39	193	
Education, Training, & Library	147	5,374	
Arts, Design, Entertainment	-51	1 ,190	
Healthcare Practitioners &	870	2,9 66	
Healthcare Support	424	3,4 75	
Protective Service	-62	9 95	
Food Preparation & Serving	404	10,459	
Building, Grounds Cleaning	371	3,852	
Personal Care & Service	651		
Sales & Related		3 _{10,448}	
Office & Administrative	1,267	12,390	
Farming, Fishing, & Forestry	202	1 ,576	
Construction & Extraction	716	2,8 81	
Installation, Maintenance,	452		
Production	-370	,	
Transportation & Material	630	7,193	

ECONOMIC CHARACTERISTICS

Due to the pandemic recession, after losing jobs over the past year, Nobles Co. had the 38th largest economy of the 87 counties in the state. Nobles Co. was the 4th fastest growing in the past year and the 25th fastest growing since 2015. From 2015 to 2020, employers in Nobles Co. cut jobs, outpacing the state.

business establishments \$49,261 annual average wage

10,246 jobs \$504,723,919 total industry payroll

Job change, 2015-2020 -1.4% decline

Figure 16. Industry Employment Statistics, 2005-2020

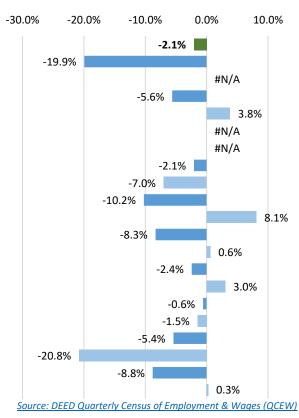


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Source: DEED QCEW program

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Table 15 Nables Co. Industry	Number of	Dorsont of	Annual
Table 15. Nobles Co. Industry		Percent of	
Employment Statistics, 2020	Jobs	Total Jobs	Wage
Total, All Industries	10,246	100.0%	\$49,261
Agriculture, Forestry, Fish & Hunt	354	3.5%	\$31,800
Mining	#N/A	#N/A	#N/A
Construction	269	2.6%	\$48,350
Manufacturing	3,255	31.8%	\$60,445
Utilities	28	0.3%	\$43,139
Wholesale Trade	289	2.8%	\$34,668
Retail Trade	1,285	12.5%	\$27,825
Transportation & Warehousing	413	4.0%	\$43,588
Information	79	0.8%	\$43,699
Finance & Insurance	347	3.4%	\$88,528
Real Estate & Rental & Leasing	22	0.2%	\$32,780
Professional & Technical Services	167	1.6%	\$55,076
Management of Companies	40	0.4%	\$13,569
Admin. Support & Waste Mgmt. Svcs.	372	3.6%	\$65,620
Educational Services	961	9.4%	\$21,803
Health Care & Social Assistance	1,290	12.6%	\$25,135
Arts, Entertainment, & Recreation	35	0.3%	\$13,693
Accommodation & Food Services	446	4.4%	\$11,018
Other Services	291	2.8%	\$30,934
Public Administration	383	3.7%	\$49,160

Figure 2. Change in Jobs, 2019-2020



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